

PUBLIC NOTICES

to be competitive with the proposed camper and RV park. There was a consensus that the City should reach out to Steve Kranz to see if he has any feedback. Holt moved to approve the first reading and Pochant seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion on short-term rental. Pochant moved to approve the short-term rental first reading. Holt seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Darren reported that his back was feeling better and that he would be returning to work as his back allows it.

Holt move to accept Mayor Pochant's resignation. Pochant seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The City agreed to have a special meeting for reorganization to fill the mayor vacancy and for the second reading of the ordinances.

Doc moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Pochant. Motion carried.

(Oct. 2, 2025)

Coleharbor City April Minutes

April 16, 2025

Call to order – 7:00 pm

All members of the board were present. City Auditor, Tim Kaffar, was present for the meeting. Attorney Kaffar prepared the minutes of the meeting.

R. Oberg presented at the board equalization meeting and reported that there were be a 5% increase in real estate taxes for residential properties, a 3% increase for commercial properties, and a 1/2% decrease for agricultural properties within city limits. J. Pochant moved to approve the assessment increases. D. Scheive seconded the motion and the motion carried.

C. Holt called the regular meeting to order at 7:20

Visitors

Minutes – Stetson moved to approve the previous meeting minutes. T. Bosak seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Financial Report – T. Kaffar provided a financial report. J. Pochant moved to approve the bills as presented. Stetson seconded the motion and the motion carried. T. Kaffar would work on providing up to date financial reports with Quick Books in the future.

Commissioner of Utilities – no update
Commissioner of Streets - No update
Commissioner of Buildings and Property – No update.

Auditor

T. Bosak moved to approve T. Kaffar, C. Holt, and J. Pochant as authorized signatories for all city financial accounts. The motion was seconded by J. Pochant and the motion carried.

11. Old Business

a. Short-term rental – J. Pochant moved to approve the second reading of the short-term rental ordinances. T. Bosak seconded the motion and the motion carried.

b. Camper ordinances T. Bosak moved to approve the second reading of the camper ordinances. Stetson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

c. Special election – Discussion was had to hold a special election for the purpose converting to a Home Rule Charter. Stetson moved to hold a special election on June 18, from 9:00 AM until 6:00 PM. The motion was seconded by T. Bosak and the motion carried.

12. New Business

13. Adjourn – Stetson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. J. Pochant seconded the motion and the motion carried.

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Coleharbor City Budget Hearing September Minutes

September 17, 2025

The budget hearing was called to order by President Pochant at 7:00 p.m. Present were council members Tim Bosak, Len Lindbo, Stetson Pedersen and City Auditor Del Kolke. Absent was Mayor Holt. Public present were Rick Cleveland and Jeff Herman.

No members of the public provided comment and/or objection. The 2026 final budget was reviewed with a proposed property tax mill levy of \$18,727.38 for the general fund and \$389.79 for the cemetery fund for a total levy of \$19,117.17. Motion Bosak, second Pedersen to approve the 2026 final budget as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.
(Oct. 2, 2025)

Coleharbor City September Minutes

September 17, 2025

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by President Pochant @ 7:15 p.m. Present were council members Tim Bosak, Len Lindbo, Stetson Pedersen and City Auditor Del Kolke. Public present were Rick Cleveland, Jeff Herman and Tyson Matthews (McLean County Independent Editor).

Motion Pedersen, second Lindbo to approve the August 20, 2025 meeting minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion Bosak, second Pedersen to approve the bank account balances as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Holt arrived at 7:25 p.m.

Auditor noted the addition of Public Comments to the agenda. State legislature has made this a requirement for governing entities. Auditor will draft proposed guidelines for implementation.

Motion Pedersen, second Pochant to approve annual tech support and software upgrades for El Dorado billing program. All in favor, motion carried.

Pochant will provide an ad for filling the vacant maintenance position.

Park benches need to be approved at October meeting due to time restraints.

Holt was contacted by Red Cross to place a trailer filled with emergency supplies in Coleharbor if an area disaster requires shelter and assistance. The trailer would need to be accessible at all times which would require a location that will be plowed.

Jeff Herman introduced himself and requested his water be turned off. He has coordinated with the public works director previously and asked for contact information due to the vacancy.

Motion Pochant, seconded Lindbo to approve bills as present. All in favor, motion carried.

Approved Bills: ND Dept. of Health 54.00; Circle Sanitation 2,515.80; Amberway 202.52; Core & Main 950.00; Donovan & Kaffar 1,093.60; Visa 600.00; ND Rural Water Systems Assn. 270.00; ND League of Cities 248.00; Rick Anderson 200.86; Breanna Lemer 92.35; Justin Pochant 240.11; Breanna Lemer 182.00.

Next meeting Wednesday, Oct. 15 at 7:00 p.m. at the Coleharbor Community Center. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

(Oct. 2, 2025)

Coleharbor City August Minutes

The monthly city council meeting was called to order by Justin Pochant at 7:02 pm August 20, 2025. All the council members were present (Justin Pochant, Len Lindbo, Stetson Pedersen and Tim Bosak). Mayor Chris Holt was initially not present but did show up later (about 7:30 pm).

The minutes of the July meeting on July 16 were circulated. Len Lindbo made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Stetson Pedersen motion approved.

The minutes of a special meeting held on August 5 were circulated. The special meeting was considering the 2026 annual budget. Stetson Pedersen made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Tim Bosak. Motion carried.

The financial statement was circulated. It was noted that there were a couple large items this month (Barry's Excavating \$7500 for excavating and backfilling an existing waterline and annual insurance premiums \$2099). There were also limited water bill payments due to computer issues.

Old Business

The special election on July 29 passed allowing the city to proceed with the home rule charter.

The water billing issues update. The handheld unit will take readings, but may not communicate with the Eldorado billing package. The laptop computer is restored to the original status.

The annual budget is scheduled to be finalized at the September 17 city council meeting. The county auditor has been notified of the meeting. No changes can occur after that date. It must be filed with the county auditor before October 7.

New Business

City auditor Tim Kaffar resigned effective August 30. The city hired Del Kolke effective September 1. Banking

accounts will need to reflect the removal of Tim Kaffar and addition of Del Kolke.

Len Lindbo brought up a tree branch chipping station.

A building permit was issued to Dean Guenther for a storage shed

Justin Pochant made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Len Lindbo. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

(Oct. 2, 2025)

Underwood School Special September Meeting

Underwood Public School District #8 Special Board Meeting Budget Hearing Minutes

September 10, 2025

In Attendance: Superintendent Todd Benson, Michael Heger, Brent Charging, Donald Robinson, Sarah Ness.

Absent: Amanda Haseleu.

Meeting was called to order by President Heger at 6:30 pm followed by the opportunity to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Superintendent Benson presented the final version of the 2025-2026 district budget.

Charging/Ness made a motion to approve the 2025-2026 district budget. Role call vote: Heger-yes, Charging-yes, Robinson-yes, Ness-yes. MC.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm. Next Board Meeting: Friday, September 26, 2025 at 7:00 am.

Attest:

/s/ Michael Heger, Board President

/s/ Todd Benson, Superintendent

(Oct. 2, 2025)

Underwood School August Meeting

UNDERWOODPUBLICSCHOOL-DISTRICT #8

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

August 29, 2025

Present: Superintendent Todd Benson, Principal Hope Rush, Principal Kyle Hunt, Brent Charging, Michael Heger, Amanda Haseleu, Donald Robinson, Brenda Schantz, and Tania Eichhorst.

Absent: Sarah Ness

President Michael Heger called the meeting to order at 7:00 am followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

N/A

CONSENT AGENDA

Due to receiving the board packet the day before the board meeting, each consent agenda item will be addressed individually.

Approval of July 30, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Haseleu/Robinson made a motion to approve the July 30, 2025 regular board meeting minutes.

Roll Call Vote: Heger-yes, Charging-yes, Haseleu-yes, Robinson-yes. MC.

Approval of August 1, 2025 Special Board Meeting Minutes

Robinson/Charging made a motion to approve the August 1, 2025 special board meeting minutes. Roll Call Vote: Heger-yes, Charging-yes, Haseleu-yes, Robinson-yes. MC.

Approval of Bills

General Fund (01):

ACME Tools-\$3,450.47, Amberway Inc.-\$1,056.00, Benson Todd-\$341.60, Central Dakota Library Network-\$45.27, Central Dakota Library Network-\$50.81, Central Door & Hardware, Inc.-\$1,927.00, Central McLean Cougars-\$112,000.00, CREA-\$1,455.10, CREA-\$780.00, City of Underwood-\$45.80, City of Underwood-\$67.43, City of Underwood-\$62.43, Cottingham Insurance-\$9,416.00, Dakota Concepts LLC-\$25, 118.60, Dakota Mint-\$2,540.00, Dakota Truck and Farm Service-\$2,307.62, Dakota Truck and Farm Service-\$1,006.88, Dakota Truck and Farm Service-\$504.88, Diffely's Repair-\$1, 104.12, Diffely's Repair-\$71.98, Doll Scott-\$825.00, Doubled-Up Electric LLC-\$5,822.37, Haugen's Drain Service-\$239.00, Hazen Motors Co-\$884.54, Master Fire & Safety-\$839.34, Max Public School District-\$5,267.52, Menards-Minot-\$119.20, Midwest Investigation & Security Inc-\$325.00, Montana Dakota Utilities-\$118.38, Montana Dakota Utilities-\$25.52, NAPA Auto Parts-\$27.62, ND Safety Council-\$505.00, NDCEL-\$150.00, NDCEL-\$150.00, NDCEL-\$250.00, NDCEL-\$870.00, North Dakota Assisive-\$1, 042.00, North Dakota School Board Association-\$936 .00, North Dakota School Board Association-\$1,000.00, Otter Tail Power Company-\$4,073.27, Pearce Durick PLLC-\$1,496.25, Schock's Safe & Lock-

\$197.70, Share Corporation-\$594.74, Twotrees Technologies-\$2,967.00, Twotrees Technologies-\$929.68, Twotrees Technologofies-\$185.00, Underwood Farm Supply-\$50.76, Underwood Farm Supply-\$569.56, Underwood Farm Supply-\$344.00, Underwood Farm Supply-\$56.17, Underwood Farm Supply-\$14.28, Underwood Farm Supply-\$19.62, Underwood Farm Supply-\$139.96, Underwood Farm Supply-\$9.99, Underwood Farm Supply-\$78.38, Underwood Farm Supply-\$7.32, Village Family Service Center-\$1,500.00, Village Family Service Center-\$2,728.00, Wagon Wheel Lumber-\$119.92, Wagon Wheel Lumber-\$63.18, Wagon Wheel Lumber-\$53.47.

Food Service Fund (05): Kemps-\$403.31, Minot Restaurant Supply-\$458.60, US Foods-\$1,333.83, US Foods-\$113.11, US Foods-\$433.53.

Student Activity Fund (06): Aban Grace-\$100.00, Benson Samuel-\$50.00, Blotske Ava-\$50.00, Dollywood Foundation-\$7.97, Fischer Aricka-\$50.00, Frohlich Jillian-\$50.00, Gordon Chris-\$105.00, Jangula Whitney-\$57. 70, Klabunde Wyatt-\$105.00, Markovic Shawn-\$110.50, Midwest Sports-\$241.80, Simmons Timothy-\$210.50, Sybrant Eva-\$282.00, Vaagene Gracelyn-\$50.00, Vanderwal Austin-\$105.00, Weigum Scott-\$182.00.

Charging/Haseleu made a motion to approve the bills. Roll Call Vote: Heger-yes, Charging-yes, Haseleu-yes, Robinson-yes. MC.

Due to the transition with CREA assuming all business manager duties we did not have any further financial reports to approve at this time.

REPORT AGENDA

Superintendent presented the Executive Summary Report (ESR).

Superintendent Benson discussed challenges with transitioning business manager duties to CREA. It will take CREA another month to complete the transition. School personnel have stepped up and are covering many duties normally associated with the business manager.

Superintendent Benson discussed the impact of declining enrollment.

Superintendent Benson discussed the 25-26 budget as we approach the budget hearing scheduled for September 10th at 6:30 pm here at the school. The finance committee will meet again to finalize all details.

Principal Hunt described the new programs at the secondary level; including FACS, Agriculture, FFA and Career Development. The students have many more options. Additionally, we are seeing our highest enrollment in dual credit courses, with College Comp I & II being taught on our campus.

Principal Hunt communicated that our new electronics policy has been going very well, not having any problems with students having their cell phones locked up from first bell to last bell.

Principal Rush described the schedule changes that were made to ensure instructional hours were being maintained in the core subject areas in the elementary. This resulted in a decrease of instructional time in PE and music.

Principal Rush is expanding upon the progress made last year as a TSI school. We will be notified of our status in October as to whether or not we are still a TSI school. The PLC structure put in place last year is in full swing.

Superintendent Benson provided updates for School Counselor Heger that we have initiated new guidance classes that students in grades 7-9 are required to take; Life Skills for grade 7, Career Readiness and Guidance for grade 8 and Career Development and Leadership Seminar for grade 9. This is the final piece that completes the initiatives focused on Career and College Readiness.

Superintendent Benson provided updates on two initiatives by Activity Director Jangula; starting a wrestling program that would probably be a coop with Hazen and starting an esports program that would only be Underwood students. The deadline for signing up is next week.

Superintendent Benson provided a summary of Facilities Manager Sanders completed work over the summer; FAGS classroom, parking lot repairs/painting, shop roof replacement and upcoming projects; greenhouse, custodial offices.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

N/A

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Haseleu/Charging made a motion to approve the tuition/cost sharing agreements. Roll Call Vote: Charging-yes, Heger-yes, Haseleu-yes, Robinson-yes. MC.

Robinson/Charging made a motion to approve the NDSBA service agreement. Roll Call Vote: Charging-yes, Heger-yes, Haseleu-yes, Robinson-yes. MC.

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 am.

NEXT MEETINGS
Budget Hearing- September 10,

2025 at 6:30 pm

Regular School Board Meeting- September 26, 2025 at 7:00 am

/s/ Michael Heger, Board President

/s/ Todd Benson, Superintendent

(Oct. 2, 2025)

Riverdale City September Meeting

September 15, 2025

The regular Riverdale City Council meeting of September 15, 2025 was called to order at 6:15 by Mayor Taylor.

Present: Alex Taylor, Ken Skuza, Mike Dirk, Jerry Orth and Auditor Del Kolke

Orth moved to approve the consent agenda. Skuza seconded. Motion carried. Orth expressed condolences to the family of Dave Fryda upon his passing.

Guests: AJ Tuck, Moore Engineering, noted the NDDOT Flexible Transportation Fund Program (Flex Fund) has a total of \$11 million for distribution among communities under 5,000 population. Riverdale's application, plan, and letters of support will be submitted with inclusion of a walking path adjacent to Lawson Drive to provide off-street access to Morning Star Campground and the Kiddie Pond for walkers and bikers.

Terry Morast, campground manager, reported a successful camping season and will return as manager for 2026. Dirk moved to not invite campers in sites #21 & #22 back for the 2026 camping season based on previous violation reports and continued non-compliance of campground rules. Skuza seconded. Motion carried. Auditor will provide written communication to those individuals.

Orth moved to leave vacant council position unfilled. Skuza seconded. Roll Call: Skuza aye, Dirk nay, Orth aye. Motion carried.

Old Business: Continued discussion on Plaza Building II roof with no action taken.

Reports: The overhead door of the ambulance bay was replaced.

Taylor mentioned lilacs planted in the right-of-way on a newly developed property. Property owner will be asked to remove/relocate them. Due to the unfilled council position, Taylor will assume the electrical portfolio. Weeds on city property need to be addressed. Clay will be unavailable Oct. 4-12.

Skuza plans to have a tree row within the campground along Lawson Drive removed.

Dirk will research grant opportunities for a lift at the city shop and gather dump trailer estimates. Maintenance has flushed sewer mains and exercised gate valves. Tractor and attachments being serviced have been returned and are in use. Class 5 road gravel, not to exceed \$5,000, will be applied to Walnut Drive where most recently subdivided storage lots are.

Orth reported Dakota Pump has addressed the necessary repairs on water treatment facility pumps.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 13 at 6:00 PM. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

GENERAL FUND BILLS SEPTEMBER 2025

MDU 148.43; John Deere Financial 1,431.62; Visa 124.75; Blue Cross Blue Shield 2,683.68; Verizon 108.24; Menards 200.80; Braun Intertec 7,445.60; Guardian Lock & Security 392.00; Bullinger Tree Service 2,400.00; Runnings 239.95; NorDak North Publications 159.60; Dakota Supply Group 488.61; ND Dept. of Health 27.00; MDU 172.58; Interstate Battery 53.70; WRT 232.14; Cenex 1,319.09; J-S Sanitation 589.00; One Call Concepts 16.50; Otter Tail Power 546.77; Kim Morast 150.00; Brosz Engineering 1,595.00; Roger Keller 100.00; Water Treatment Facility 9,773.54; Ferguson Waterworks 947.35; US Postal Service 162.00; Midwest Doors 641.00; S & M Lawn Service 2,258.00; Circle Sanitation 5,757.75; City of Riverdale 5,773.84; ND PERS 1,333.83; IRS 3,667.74; MRES 21,908.48

WATER TREATMENT FACILITY BILLS - SEPTEMBER 2025

Visa 155.98; AE2S 1,961.25; Verizon 16.62; Kone Cranes 4,005.19; Dakota Supply Group 700.27; WRT 205.52; City of Riverdale 1,107.20; Zenon 187.50; Hawkins 3,732.14

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